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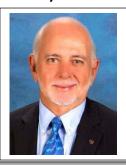
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## District 6960 Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club Organized 1979

Chartered March 18, 1980

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## **ROTARY SPEAKER SCHEDULE 2019**

#### JUNE COORDINATORS: CHET SADLER

21 Chet Sadler: Guatemala Wheelchairs & Coffee Bean Project

28 Rich Evans: Caloosahatchee Water Issues

JULY COORDINATORS: Rachel Tritaik

5 No meeting (Float and parade on July 4)

12 Eldon: International Rotary Conference in Hamburg, Germany

19 Classifications talks

26 Sharon Krispinsky RN "Arthritis, Inflammation, and Diet"

### SANIBEL ROTARIANS FLYING HIGH...

Our club President, John Danner, Senior Pastor of the Sanibel Congregational United Church of Christ and 20 church members were part of an inter-faith religious journey to Israel with Rabbi Dr. Stephen Fuchs and 20 members of Bat Yam Temple of the Islands. All stories from the trip and personal reflections on the trip have yet to be told but needless to say this trip was a trip of a lifetime.

Our club's President-Elect, Eldon Bohrofen has just returned from the Rotary International's convention in Hamburg, Germany. For the 15,000 attendees at the 2019 RI Convention this is a very inspirational and motivational meeting. Rotarians, Rotaracters, Interacters, Rotexers and Inner Wheelers come together in a welcoming atmosphere to exchange ideas, inspire each other and start the new Rotarian year with fresh ideas. In a few weeks, Eldon will be giving us an overview of his experiences in Hamburg.

Chet Sadler made another trip to Guatemala and we will be hearing about that today.

Soon Rotarians, Chet Sadler, Clark Rambo, and John Schwandke will be traveling to Haiti to checkout an important water project our club is financially sponsoring on the Island. While there they will, also, check Rotary's reforestation and soil conservation programs – tree and grass planting. Rotary District 6960 pledged to plant one tree for every District 6960 Rotarians. The group will also review and observe the possibilities connected to a Haitian sanitation project supporting construction of toilets and plumbing for the toilets in areas of need.

Rotarians seem to travel a lot, sometime because of professional responsibilities, sometimes for personal pleasure, and many serving Rotary by helping others throughout the world. Serving the world, serving our country...sometimes lately we get a little confused about what is the right thing to do and what we can even do to put into action those things. But one thing I know...Rotary continues to try...Rotarians are people of action.

CLUB SONG ...Giver of all things good, We Thank you for this food, With one accord. Lead us we humbly pray, Onward in Rotary's way of service day by day, Most Gracious Lord (Tune of My Country Tis of Thee)

## "SEIZE THE DAY" SANIBEL FOURTH OF JULY 2019 PARADE

- ❖ Help needed to work on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Float...See Joleen
- ❖ Early call for Rotary Float riders...more info. to come
- AFTER PARADE GET TOGETHER...AT BLUE GIRAFFEE...MORE INFO. TO COME.



#### SPEAKER NOTES FROM 6-14-19



Stepping up to the podium last week was, once again, one of our own San-Cap Rotarians, John Henshaw. John served as the **Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health-OSHA 6/2001 to 12/2004 under President, George Bush and U.S. Secretary of Labor, Elaine Chao. OSHA was his topic for the morning.** OSHA safeguards worker safety and health in the United States by working with employers and employees to create better working environments. Sounds straight forward doesn't it, but OSHA's work can upset business entities. It is not the most beloved agency in the government.

Did you know? ... Congress created OSHA under the Occupational Safety and Health Act/OSHA, which was signed by President Richard M. Nixon on December 29, 1970. Another surprising note... President Richard Nixon, also, proposed the establishment of Environmental Protection Agency/ EPA on July 9, 1970 and it began operation on December 2, 1970, after Nixon signed an executive order.

John noted some Bureau of Labor statistics from 2017...5,147 workers died from work-related injury in U.S. About 2.8 million nonfatal workplace injuries and illnesses were reported by private industry, occurring at a rate of 2,8 cases per 100 full-time workers. Tens of Billions of \$\$s lost in the economy from workplace accidents.

OSHA responds and investigates many workplace accidents and reviews whether all OSHA federal regulations are and have been adhered to and to investigate whether there should be further regulations imposed on businesses for the protection of their employees. OSHA is responsible for the safety and health conditions in most private industries and OSHA-approved state plans. "The Occupational Safety and Health Act was passed to assure safe and healthful working conditions for working men and women. Accordingly, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) was created to perform the following primary functions: Assure the safety and health of workers at the workplace, wherever that may be, Consult with and advise employers, employees, and representative organizations of the effective means of preventing occupational injuries and illnesses, and Conduct workplace inspections and investigations to determine whether employers are complying with standards. OSHA has a key role in domestic preparedness and response activities. OSHA's mission to assure safe and healthful working conditions for our working men and women is a vital component in our nation's emergency response and recovery system outlining the general parameters under which OSHA can assist, and the resources OSHA can provide during the various response phases associated with a catastrophic incident. "U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Now think back; John Henshaw was confirmed as Assistant Secretary of Labor OSHA Director on June 2001. The attack on the World Trade Center, New York, New York, happened on September 11, 2001. After being on the job for only a few months, John was called to immediate action as part of the federal government response team for 9/11. There needed to be a systematic and unified all hazards approach to the management of responder health and safety. OSHA has no jurisdiction over municipal employees like the fire department and police. New York government officials particularly the Fire Department made it clear, it was their mandate to oversee the 9/11 emergency and response handling. Respiratory equipment was an issue for those working at the 9/11 site. John wanted to issue new and better equipment and train workers and volunteers how to use the new equipment. The safety of responders was an issue. Eventually John was able to distribute the new safer respiratory equipment. John even had trouble with getting President Bush to put on a hard hat during his visit to the 9/11 site. People want to handle emergencies first and think of themselves after. Characterizing worker exposures and assessing risks, coordinating and providing necessary training and collecting risk data, John's job was to follow standards that would help protect workers around the hazardous materials spewed in the debris field after the attack of 9/11 and in the distribution areas where hazardous materials was dumped.

As we all know 9/II first responders have had and still are having major health problems from exposure to the burning smoke and chemical debris discharged in the air on 9/11. Safety equipment is of utmost importance during emergencies of this kind. After hearing John's talk, I think OSHA is an undervalued government agency. Cost to business to implement OSHA safety and health rulings are expensive but the value of life is even more important. The daily work of OSHA does not only deal with emergency situations but are mindful of the prevention of everyday hazards at the workplace.

"In order to carry a positive action we must develop here a positive vision."

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